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SUBJECT: LEASE OF SAFAIR AIRCRAFT TO AIA

PRETORIA FOR EASUM

CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

FYI IN THE EVENT THE FOLLOWING SUBJECT IS RAISED DURING
YOUR DISCUSSIONS WITH SOUTH AFRICAN OFFICIALS: ALASKA
INTERNATIONAL AIR (AIA) RECENTLY LOST ONE L-100 HERCULES
AIRCRAFT AND HAS HAD TWO OTHERS GROUNDED FOR SAFETY
REASONS. THEY URGENTLY NEED LEASE SEVERAL L-100'S TO
PERMIT CONTINUED CONSTRUCTION OF TRANS-ALASKA PIPELINE.
SAFAIR, SOUTH AFRICAN FREIGHT CARRIER, HAS THREE L-100'S
COMING OFF LOCKHEED PRODUCTION LINE IN MARIETTA, GA. SHORT-
LY AND WAS APPROACHED BY AIA, ALONG WITH OTHER L-100 CAR-
RIERS, AS POSSIBLE SOURCE OF AIRCRAFT FOR LEASE. IN PAST,
SOUTH AFRICAN DEPT. OF DEFENSE HAS OBJECTED TO LEASE OF
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L-100 AIRCRAFT BY SAFAIR ON GROUNDS THEY ARE REQUIRED IN

SOUTH AFRICA IN EVENT OF NATIONAL EMERGENCY. NOW, HOWEVER,
MININFO MULDER HAS BECOME INVOLVED IN NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN
AIA AND SAFAIR AND, ACCORDING TO AIA ATTORNEY, SA CABINET
IS MEETING ON SUBJECT TODAY WITH APPROVAL OF LEASE LIKELY.
APPEARS THEREFORE THAT NO ACTION ON OUR PART IS REQUIRED,
BUT MULDER OR OTHERS MAY RAISE SUBJECT DURING YOUR CALLS. KISSINGER

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